

## **EAST PALESTINE VILLAGE COUNCIL 5/14/18 85 N. MARKET ST. 7PM**

Mayor Zuch called the meeting to order. Present was Mr. Cohen, Mr. Hall, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Todd, Mr. Walker, and Mr. Yokley. Also present was Village Manager Pete Monteleone, Finance Director Traci Thompson and Clerk Misti Martin. Law Director David Powers was on vacation. The minutes of the 4/23/18 Finance Committee and Regular Meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Walker seconded by Mr. Cohen. The April 2018 department reports were approved on a motion by Mr. Cohen seconded by Mr. Walker. Mr. Ron Johnson was on the Agenda but cancelled prior to the meeting.

**CLERK:** Clerk Misti Martin stated the May 28<sup>th</sup> Council meeting would need to be rescheduled due that date being a holiday. Mr. Cohen made a motion to move the Council Meeting to Tuesday May 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, seconded by Mr. Cohen.

**MAYOR:** Mayor Zuch stated the newly paved road at Leslie Run looks fantastic.

**MANAGER:** Monteleone stated the Economic Development Department has gotten back to him with a rough draft of the J.E.D.D. proposal, he stated Councilman Yokley will help him get it printed out.

**LAW DIRECTOR:** Atty. Powers was on vacation.

**STREET:** Mr. Walker asked if paving would begin when school was out for the summer to which Monteleone said yes. Mr. Simpson commended the street crew for getting started on repairing potholes around town. Monteleone stated the Street Crew is trying to use a more methodical approach and map out and complete an entire street at a time.

**SAFETY/PARK/REC/CEM:** Mr. Cohen stated Wednesday at 6 pm in shelter 23/24 the Park Board will hold their May meeting, if the weather is inclement the meeting will be held in the back room at the Municipal Building. He said the swimming pool is filled and Dave Biggins will begin repairs on some of the shelters. He also asked for patience with the mowing situation at the park, this time of year the grass grows nonstop and the employees have many things to do. Monteleone stated we will be getting our summer help soon. Mr. Walker stated he trimmed around the memorial stone he had placed at the park for his son. Mr. Yokley asked about the status of our agreement with EPYSA, he said he wanted to make sure we are on good terms because we would like to see them come back to the park. Monteleone said he is in communication with EPYSA President John Simon; he said they had not yet dug the ball fields. Mr. Yokley asked about the status of the exit field, Monteleone stated the problem was not fixed. There are a group of volunteers who will be doing the project and they have stated the weather is holding things back. Mr. Yokley asked if the project would be delayed since we are going into the contractor's busy time of year. Monteleone said he doesn't feel that will be an issue and that the contractors have stated they would not work on that hillside while the ground was so wet. Monteleone said the entire exit field project hinges on the weather cooperating. Mr. Cohen asked how often EPYSA is using the fields and Mr. Yokley said the games are on the weekend at the park and practices during the week are also there. There was brief discussion as to whether or not the exit field was actually being used and some scheduling conflicts being caused for EPYSA because of the exit field.

**DEVELOPMENT:** Mr. Yokley stated he is excited about the way the J.E.D.D. is coming together and said we would love hear from the residents on the project.

**UTILITY:** Mr. Todd stated we are working on the easements for the new well with only a few signatures left to get and then it will be up to the EPA to approve the plans.

**FINANCE: NO REPORT**

**THERE WERE NO VISITORS COMMENTS ON CURRENT LEGISLATION:** In reference to the ordinance for sell city property Mr. Todd asked about the Street Sweeper. Monteleone stated it had been put

to bid but none were received so it will be scrapped/junked. Chief Josh Brown said they finally received the appraisal on the old tanker, Mr. Todd asked if it could be added to the list to which Mr. Simpson said the legislation could be amended later to add the tanker. In reference to the codification of ordinances Mr. Cohen stated the company that handles our ordinances periodically updates them to include any appropriate ordinances passed in the last year or so, they also make changes to our ordinances that may result from changes in state law

**VISITORS:** Terri Ward, John Herbert, Chief Jim Brown, Chief Josh Brown, John Davis and Katie White.

**LEGISLATION:** Mr. Simpson introduced Ord. 7-2018 and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance approving the editing and inclusion of certain ordinances as parts of the various component codes of the codified ordinances; providing for the adoption of new matter in the updated and revised codified ordinances; repealing ordinances and resolutions on conflict therewith; and declaring an emergency.** Mr. Simpson made a motion to suspend the rules and declare an emergency ordinance seconded by Mr. Cohen. Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Hall-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Walker-y, Mr. Yokley-y. Mr. Simpson called for a vote on Ord. 7-2018 Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Hall-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Walker-y, Mr. Yokley-y. 6 yes to pass. Mr. Simpson Introduced Ord. 8-2018 for a first reading and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **An ordinance authorizing the advertising of bids for the sale of personal property owned by the Municipality of East Palestine in conformity with Ohio Revised Code 721.15.** Mr. Simpson introduced Res. 2-2018 and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **A resolution authorizing participation in the ODOT Winter Contract (018-19) for road salt and declaring an emergency.** Mr. Simpson made a motion to suspend to suspend the rules and declare an emergency seconded by Mr. Cohen. Mr. Hall-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Walker-y, Mr. Yokley-y, Mr. Cohen –y. Mr. Simpson called for a vote on Res. 2-2018. Mr. Hall-y, Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Walker-y, Mr. Yokley-y, Mr. Cohen –y. 6 yes to pass. Mr. Simpson introduced Res. 3-2018 and made a motion that it be read by title only seconded by Mr. Cohen. **A resolution authorizing the Columbiana County Auditor to certify to the Village of East Palestine the Total current tax valuation of the Village and the dollar amount of the revenue which would be generated by a five year renewal of the one and one half mill fire levy.** Mr. Simpson called for a vote one Res.3-2018. Mr. Simpson-y, Mr. Todd-y, Mr. Walker-y, Mr. Yokley-y, Mr. Cohen-y, Mr. Hall-y. 6 yes to pass.

**ADJOURN:** Mr. Walker made a motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Cohen. All in favor.

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**MISTI J. MARTIN CLERK**

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**MAYOR MARGO ZUCH**